

# Reinstatement of Work Search Requirement

- Claimants must be able to work, available for work, and actively searching for work each week to maintain their eligibility for unemployment insurance benefits.
- From March 2020 to July 2021, claimants were exempt from the work search requirement due to the economic downturn resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic.

The work search exemption ended **Saturday, July 3, 2021**, for Regular UI claimants.

Effective **Sunday, July 4, 2021**, all Regular UI claimants must actively search for work. Claimant work search requirements are listed below.

Register with MWE

Complete Reemployment Activities Weekly

Submit Activities in MWE Weekly

Claimants must register with the [Maryland Workforce Exchange \(MWE\)](#). This is a one-time requirement. To complete the registration: obtain a username/password; complete required questions; create and upload a resume that is viewable to employers; and maintain an up-to-date resume in MWE.

Each week, claimants must complete at least three [valid reemployment activities](#), which must include at least one job contact. Examples of valid reemployment activities include work search and required RESEA/ROW workshops.

Claimants must submit at least three valid reemployment activities, including at least one job contact, each week in the Work Search Log located in MWE. Benefits may be delayed or denied if activities are not submitted.